

## **ADVICE TO OUR GRANTEES REGARDING COVID-19 FUNDING**

NIAMS understands that the COVID-19 public health emergency is adversely impacting recipient institutions and their research. Unfortunately, NIAMS does not currently have funding available to directly support new research related to COVID-19. NIAMS also understands that many of its grantees may require supplemental funding to help mitigate the disruptions and negative impacts they have experienced during this public health emergency. While recipients are able to submit requests for administrative supplements to existing awards at any time utilizing the parent announcement, [PA-18-591](#), NIAMS does not currently have specific funding available for research supplements directly related to COVID-19. Hence, for the vast majority of recipients, supplement requests prior to the end of the declared public health emergency would likely be premature. It is therefore recommended that institutions hold off on submitting COVID-19-related administrative supplement requests until such time as (1) the full impact of the pandemic on your research is clear, and (2) you have had the chance to discuss the various options (including the use of rebudgeting and carryover funds) with the relevant NIH staff and have agreed that an administrative supplement is the best option for your project.

For questions on COVID-19 funding, please email [NIAMS\\_COVID-19@nih.gov](mailto:NIAMS_COVID-19@nih.gov)